



CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

A STEPHEN MINISTRY CONGREGATION

"Sharing God's love with all His children , while growing together in Christ."

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Dear Friends in Christ,

With the advent of a new year, people naturally begin to contemplate what the coming year will bring to their lives, to our divided nation in an election year full of political turmoil, and to our unsettled world filled with violence and strife. With this contemplative spirit in mind, we have opportunity, as Christians, to reflect upon the relevancy of our culture, our society and even of life itself, especially in the context of the Gospel message of salvation in Christ Jesus, our Lord! How do we apply the message of the cradle and the cross to a self-destructive and sinful world?

It is appropriate, and necessary, for us to constantly examine and evaluate the effectiveness of our witness, the relevancy of our message, and the efficacy of our ministry to a world that struggles with spiritual ideas and relationships. It is important for us to explore new ways of connecting people to the saving grace of Christ and His church without compromising the integrity and truth of the Gospel. It is vital for us to ensure those connections are not only life-changing but also Christ-centered. It is of the utmost urgency that we revisit the central truths of Christianity — what it means to have a personal faith relationship with Christ and His Church — in the context of the culture and the world in which we live. Christ IS the Solid Rock, in an unstable world, upon which we stand!

We each need to examine our own faith and life as individual believers and as members in the whole body of Christ. What does it truly mean to live by "Grace," the kind of grace upon which we depend time and time, again and again. The gift of God for which we constantly ask. The grace which is the treasure hidden in the field, the pearl of great price — the grace for which we are ready to sacrifice everything in order to obtain. The grace that calls us to follow Jesus Christ. The grace that costs a man his life, because a Man gave His life. The grace that justifies the sinner. The grace that cost God the life of His Son: "ye were bought at a price." It is grace because God did not reckon His Son too dear a price to pay for our life, but delivered Him up for us. This Grace is the Incarnation of God.

Connecting people to the grace of God in Christ Jesus, and the path of discipleship is what we should be all about. It is this ministry that enables Christians to live in the world without being of it. It is this very grace, which at its heart, gives birth to true discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowers us to live a life that is truly distinguished from the world — a grace that brings with it a willingness to sacrifice all for Him because of His sacrifice for us!

Again, with a contemplative spirit in mind, let us not only reflect, but also take action to commit to

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(Letter from Pastor Groeling cont. from page 1)

building our relationship with Christ and His church so we are better equipped to reach out and share the grace of the Gospel message of salvation in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Resolve to be active in worship, in Bible Study, in Fellowship with other Christians. Resolve to live everyday for Christ and to share His grace in word and deed. Resolve to be Christ-focused and not world-focused. Resolve to see the world through the eyes of Christ. Resolve to see the lives and situations of others through the loving and compassionate eyes of our Savior. Resolve to live by His Grace!

In Christ,

Pastor Neal Groeling

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**Your Favorite Missionary to the
Czech Republic is Back for a Visit!!**

Monday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Join Benjamin Helge in the Parish Hall for an evening of sharing, singing, and prayer. Benjamin is excited to update you about all God is doing in Central Europe.

Let's start the new year in prayer for God's mission in Albuquerque, the Czech Republic, and around the world.

Light Refreshments will be served.

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From the Principal
Kimberly Rasmussen

New year, new resolutions, new opportunities, new blessings. Everything new. As we begin again, a new year, the 'new' theme ironically comes around every January. Everything new is actually old-ancient even. Revelation 21:5 "And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.'" And He is. What Good News for us.

The Holy Spirit is continually making me new, transforming and sanctifying me as each moment passes. Through His death on the cross, Jesus offers us the forgiveness that gives us a new, fresh start every time we take hold of it with faith.

May all of your days be as fresh as the beginning of January!

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From the Congregation President

Jerry Shroff



WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE

“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” **Luke 6:38**

“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” **1 Peter 4:10**

We are called to serve. Being of service to God is a simple response to the love and grace He has given to us. Scripture guides us into service. Jesus died for us in service. The reasons to serve are countless.

Not only are there countless reasons to serve but I can promise you one thing – you will be enriched in your service beyond what you put in. I encourage you to seek out ways to be of service as you will be fed by doing so.

If you are looking for ways to serve let me name a few for you to consider. The Board of Church Properties is in need of a Chairperson and a larger Board. Our Mission Board and God Cares About You are growing in servant opportunities.

Our Stephen Ministry is starting a new training class this month. The training given not only enables you to become a Stephen Minister, but will be helpful in all relationships, putting Christ in the Center and equipping you in all relationships. Prayerfully consider taking the training. I promise you will not be disappointed.

Our School is always looking for volunteers in many capacities from making copies to assisting teachers and support staff.

We are in need of ushers, audio/video assistants, worship assistants, counters, and greeters to enhance our worship during Sunday Services.

You may not yet want to serve on a Board but want to assist a Board. All Boards have special projects, where many hands make for smooth and wonderful service. It does not matter if your passion is for human care, visiting our shut-ins, assisting with our youth, encouraging fellowship, or taking care of our property, there is a place for you.

Our Choir and Bell Choir are always welcoming new members. We have special music planned throughout the year. Now is a perfect time to join.

Consider serving as a Sunday School teacher or Youth Bible Study leader. We have opportunities ranging from occasionally substituting, to teaching for a month, quarter or semester. Not only will you help assist in molding our children and youth to be active in their faith you will be enriched with the love they will share with you.

You see the areas to serve are countless. Quite frankly I just touched on only a few of the many ways you can serve within our church family. If you are not involved in service now, I encourage you to make 2020 your year to join in service. If you are already serving, I pray that you are feeling the blessings that abound from being of service.

Let us cast our eyes and hearts on Jesus, who as He came to us with Grace, also came as an example of complete service. May your 2020 be full of the joy that comes of being of service in Him and through Him.

God’s Peace,

Jerry



FROM THE BOARD OF YOUTH

December was a fun month as we celebrated the birth of Jesus. They hosted their annual Christmas party. During the party they made Christmas stockings for the kids at God Cares About You. They delivered these stockings a week later as they traveled down to the mission to spend time with the kids that are less fortunate than themselves. This was an awesome experience that they will remember for a long time. The youth also made luminarias this month. Thank everyone who supported us with this. The kids spent their much deserved time off with family and friends.

In January, the youth start making plans for the second half of the school year. The middle school youth will start preparing for their annual trip to Youth Quake. They will making breakfast burritos for the second Sunday in January. The youth will host a game night in January and they will also host a movie night.

The youth stay busy away from church as well, as many are involved with music, sports, and scouts. Birthdays this month: Gabe Yoder

Thanks again for all your support,
CLY and JoY



NOTES FROM YOUR MUSIC DIRECTOR

- BETH SHROFF

Greetings to each of you this new year! May the Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love of the Christmas season remain with you as we face the days of the new year! No one knows but God what the new year will bring for us. Most assuredly it won't all be good or enjoyable, but "we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28

As you seek His will and purpose for you in the new year, live with confidence in His forgiveness, trust in His love, and share those gifts with all around you.

Sunday, January 5, we will observe Epiphany, the journey of the wise men with their gifts to honor the Savior. We celebrate Jesus' baptism on January 12. As the season of Epiphany continues, we learn more about the full identity of Jesus as both the Son of Man and the Son of God. We read about His miracles while on earth and the calling of His disciples.

An important date to put on your calendar is Monday, March 9, 2020. We are hosting the Concordia University, Seward, Nebraska, A Cappella Choir of 75 members. We will need homes for them to sleep in that night following their dinner and concert here that evening. They are so appreciative, and you will so appreciate their talents and fellowship! Please be open to opening your home to a couple (or more) guests! Thanks in advance!!

As you perhaps begin new things this year, consider joining one of our choirs. New voices and ringers are always welcome! Choir meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary; Bells meet Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the balcony.

May the Holy Spirit guide you and inspire you as you seek our Lord and see Him in your life in 2020!

9th Annual Ladies' Luau

Sunday Jan. 26, 2020

We can't all run off to Hawaii for some beach time, but all the women in the congregation are invited to the Fellowship Hall after late service on Sunday Jan. 26th. No need to dress up, but Hawaiian shirts are encouraged. No need to bring a dish, the Fellowship Board is providing all the fixings for ham sandwiches, pineapple fruit salad and dessert. Enjoy some beach music, fun and fellowship to brighten up your winter's day!



... AND FOR THE MEN...
MEAT... MEAT... MEAT...

Join in the annual meat consumption lunch at the same time as the Ladies Luau, outside, between the

church and Parish Hall!



There's nothing better than...





GOD CARES ABOUT YOU
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

OPENING BIBLE

VERSE: In Acts 20:35 St. Paul writes, "In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed

to give than to receive.'" The generosity of churches and individuals has been wonderful again leading into the Christmas season. We have received coats and blankets and mittens and toys and many other donations to give to those in need. Thank you all for your giving hearts and know that with each gift you touch a child or homeless person or a single mom or someone hurting with the love of Jesus. Thanks also to the many volunteers who come together to make all this possible. In giving we do experience the truth spoken by Jesus that "It is more blessed to give than to receive." May you have a most blessed Christmas celebration.

DEAR PARTNERS IN CHRIST:

We all had an amazing time at our annual Thanksgiving feast! We fed over 80 people with breakfast in the morning and Thanksgiving dinner in the afternoon. It gave us all a warm feeling inside of our hearts to see the people eating a Thanksgiving meal with a great big smile on their faces. Despite the little electrical problem we had while cooking, it turned out great! Thank you to all the generous people who helped put everything together for our feast. I sometimes think of the impact that we've had on people here at GCAY; people that we help, pray for and feed on the days that we are here. What would they do without

us? What is most important is sharing the Word with these people. That's the whole purpose of us being here. Today, we had a lady that came to us for prayer, in tears, because her husband had been shot and killed. This particular couple came every morning for a breakfast bag, or a plate of breakfast, depending on what we were serving that morning. It was a blessing that she thought of us to come for prayer and guidance and support. That made me realize why we are here and why we will continue to be here despite any changes that may come with this new year. We will continue to share the Word of God because that is our purpose; that's what God has instilled in us. Thanks again for all that you do for us here at GCAY.

UPCOMING EVENT:

Christmas Eve service at 126 Vermont, NE on Tue., Dec. 24, 2pm

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT:

If you would like to donate to GCAY Mission, please make your checks payable to Christ Lutheran Church, and write GCAY Mission on the memo line. You can donate by credit card by going to our website: www.GodCaresAboutYou.net. If you would like more information, or would like to volunteer, please contact Lionel at 505-545-1837. Please pray for us and thank you in advance for your support.

CLOSING PRAYER:

Lord, thank you for your greatness. Thank you that when we are weak, you are strong. Give us a measure of your strength so that we may not give into discouragement, deception and doubt. Help us honor you in all our ways. It's in Jesus precious name that we pray, AMEN!

Liz

MISSION UPDATE FROM RALPH HUGHES - MISSIONS CHAIR

I write to express my sincere appreciation to God and to everyone who supports and prays for God Cares About You. This sacrificial and faithful support of GCAY sustains the mission and helps launch new ministries. The following are two new exciting ministries:

- Tutoring and Mentoring Programs: This new ministry will be led by Josias and Chantal, with help from Sandra. It will focus on helping the children with their homework, and other language barriers. They receive help with the lessons they don't understand. We hope to make an impact on lives of the young people for many years to come.

- Mission Community Gospel Ministry: launched November 24, 2019. This ministry meets in the Christ Lutheran Parish Hall every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. We want to further the Gospel and the cause of the Gospel for our African Languages.

The words of Apostle Paul come to mind. *I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.* Philippians 1:3-5. God's work at God Cares About You is steady, we are currently engaged in a building project with the hope of completion in the near future.

Have a Blessed day and a joyous Christmas Season!

We give **BECAUSE HE GAVE ALL.** John 3:16



Average Weekly Offerings (August - November) \$10,115

Average Weekly Offerings needed (December 2019 - July 2020) to meet budget \$10,236

Our general offerings are down slightly from our budget projections for this fiscal year, but we are ahead of where we were at this time last year.

As we look forward to our challenges for 2020, we are planning to continue the pledge process in late February with "Commitment 2020". As a reminder, we encourage everyone to support the SCRIP program, designate Thrivent "Choice Dollars" to Christ Lutheran (2019 dollars must be designated by January 31, 2020), designate Christ Lutheran using "smileamazon.com" (same as basic Amazon), and if possible, increase your support to the church and school financially, and through volunteering.

Best Wishes for a Blessed New Year,
Tom Hebblewhite
Board of Stewardship

Luke 2:49 – "And he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' " What a privilege the Lord has given to us by calling us to come to His house! It is not a burden but rather an honor and a blessing for us to always be able to come to a place where we know God is present for us in His gifts of Word and Sacrament. Likewise, the Lord has honored us by allowing us to support the work of His house with our tithes and offerings. (LCMS Stewardship Ministry, January 2020)

Would you like to help Missionary Benjamin's English Talk Group in the Czech Republic?



If so, bring any of the following items to the narthex by Sunday, January 5th,

This list came directly from Benjamin ☺...



- Dip Mixes (ranch, fiesta, etc.) People love it here!
- iTunes gift cards to use Apple Music at events
- Chocolate Chips (maybe not at many as in the past, haha!☺)
- Educational Games (especially card games that use English)
- Vanilla Extract
- Donations for snacks & other ETG materials
- Small snacks or sweets that are made in New Mexico (they will help make up a prize pool)

**If you have any questions please contact
Lois Postenrieder (505) 299-8388.**

January Celebrations!



“Happy Birthday” to the following members of who were born in January:

Jan. 1	Natalie Bowen
Jan. 2	Erin Oetting Jerry Shroff
Jan. 4	Randy Bennett Connie Kallsen Lee Swanger
Jan. 8	Madelyn Stephens
Jan. 9	Joy Branscombe
Jan. 10	Holy Shimwa David Yocky
Jan. 11	Jacob Guyer
Jan. 14	Alan Ling
Jan. 15	Susan Lund Gabe Yoder
Jan. 17	Dan Curtiss
Jan. 18	Debbie Schneider
Jan. 19	Jim Handrock
Jan. 20	Caleb Naber
Jan. 21	Kathryn Ballengee
Jan. 25	Jacob Gallegos-Ortega Barbara Weinlein
Jan. 26	Daniella Agasaro
Jan. 27	Marty Rasmussen
Jan. 28	Olivia Klein
Jan. 29	Jesse Arenas Tatum Lowe
Jan. 30	C. Rulaine Ethridge Flora Nemitz
Jan. 31	Roger Holt

“Happy Anniversary” to the following members who were married in January:

Jan. 29	Josias Gasitha & Chantal Muhumure (Please let the church office know if we missed your special date)
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Watch **Sundays at 12:30-1 p.m.** on the following stations: Local station - KAZQ-TV 32, Comcast Cable - Channel 22, Direct TV - Channel 119, Dish Satellite Channel 110 & Channel 8817, **OR** at 9:30 a.m. on Direct TV - Channel 377 (Total Christian Television), **OR** Visit the website: www.worshipforshutins.org and click on the “Online Worship” button. You can watch any recent broadcasts, anytime, day or night!

Weekly Scripture Readings & Sermon Summaries *January 2020*

January 5, 2020 – Second Sunday after Christmas *The Epiphany of our Lord Observed

Psalm 72:1-11; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12, “The ‘Aha’ Moment” - Sermon Text: Ephesians 3:1-12 - Rev. Thomas Eggold. Epiphany means that in Christ and through faith in Him, we can share God’s love and forgiveness with the people God brings into our lives. And as we bear witness to what God has given us in His Son, the Holy Spirit will work, hearts will be changed, and we will see the “Aha Moments” unfold right before our very eyes.

January 12, 2020 – First Sunday after the Epiphany *The Baptism of Our Lord

Psalm 29; Romans 6:1-11; Matthew 3:13-17, “Baptized into Christ” - Sermon Text: Matthew 3:17 - Rev. Shayne Jonker. Jesus was baptized for you and for your salvation, to fulfill all righteousness on your behalf so that you, baptized into Him, might become the righteousness of God. Jesus becomes our sin in His baptism; we become His righteousness in our baptism in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

January 19, 2020 – Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42a, “Behold, the Lamb of God” - Sermon Text: John 1:29-42a - Rev. Paul Shoemaker. Who is Jesus to you? Many people have their own thoughts about this man. Some say He is a great teacher; others, a great philosopher; still others, the Son of God and Savior of the world. John the Baptist makes clear who Jesus is and what His purpose is.

January 26, 2020 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Psalm 27; Matthew 4:12-25, “Have No Fear!” - Sermon Text: Psalm 27 - Rev. William Mueller. There are so many things in our daily existence that can cause fear. There is one person, however, who stops fear dead in its tracks: Jesus Christ, the righteous and loving Savior! Because He is our light and our salvation, whom shall we fear?



Fellowship Meal

January Fellowship Meal Schedule

January 7 - Church Council: Spaghetti
January 15 - Women’s Guild: Soup ‘n Pie
January 22 - CLS Athletics
January 29 - Jacob Rasmussen: Living Water

All meals are on Wednesday evenings at 5:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

We look forward to seeing you all at the meals!

January 2020

To reserve a meeting space visit <https://www.cognitofirms.com/Cls1/CalendarSpaceRequestForm>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 8:15 AM Worship with Communion 9:45 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 11:00 AM Mission Community Gospel Ministry 11:00 AM Worship with communion	30 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM New Year's Eve Worship	31 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM New Year's Eve Worship	1 	2 9:30 AM Thursday Bible class 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	3 2:00 PM PH Weekend Prep 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	4 9:00 AM Cribbage 7:30 PM AA & Al-Anon
5 8:15 AM Worship with Communion 9:45 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 11:00 AM Mission Community Gospel Ministry 11:00 AM Worship	6 1:00 PM Women's Guild Board Meeting 6:00 PM An Evening of God's Work in the Czech Republic with Benjamin Helge	7 School Resumes 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 6:00 PM Stephen Leader Meeting	8 8:45 AM Chapel 5:45 PM Fellowship Meal 7:00 PM Choir	9 8:45 AM Honor Law Enforcement 9:30 AM Thursday Bible class 11:45 AM Honor Circle 2:30 PM God Cares About You Communion 7:00 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	10 9:30 AM New Beginnings 2:00 PM PH Weekend Prep 3:30 PM Girl Scouts 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry Training 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	11 9:00 AM Cribbage 9:00 AM Stephen Ministry Training 10:00 AM Youth Making Burritos 12:00 PM Youth/Parent Meeting 7:30 PM AA & Al-Anon
12 8:15 AM Worship with Joyful Noise 9:00 AM Youth Breakfast Burrito Sale 9:45 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 11:00 AM Mission Community Gospel Ministry 11:00 AM Worship with communion 2:00 PM Rio Grande Turtle & Tortoise Club	13 8:45 AM Cherub Choir 3:30 PM CLC-S Destination Imagination 3:30 PM CLS Athletics 5:00 PM PTL Meeting	14 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Quilting Quilts 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry CE/Peer Supervision 7:30 PM Board of Lay Ministry	15 Chronicle Items Due 8:45 AM Chapel 2:40 PM CLS Geography Bee 5:45 PM Fellowship Meal 7:00 PM Choir	16 9:30 AM Thursday Bible class 7:00 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	17 2:00 PM PH Weekend Prep 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous 7:00 PM Youth Event: Movie Night	18 9:00 AM Cribbage 7:30 PM AA & Al-Anon
19 8:15 AM Worship with communion 9:45 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 11:00 AM Mission Community Gospel Ministry 11:00 AM Worship	20 NO SCHOOL	21 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry Training	22 8:45 AM Chapel 5:00 PM Step up to Success Night 5:45 PM Fellowship Meal 7:00 PM Choir	23 9:30 AM Thursday Bible class 2:30 PM God Cares About You Communion 7:00 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	24 9:30 AM Senior Fellowship 2:00 PM PH Weekend Prep 3:30 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	25 2nd Annual Football for Footwear! Time TBD 9:00 AM Cribbage 7:30 PM AA & Al-Anon
26 National Lutheran School Week Begins 8:15 AM Worship with Joyful Noise 9:45 AM Sunday School & Bible Class 11:00 AM Mission Community Gospel Ministry 11:00 AM Worship with Communion - CLS PS-8th Sing 12:30 PM Ladies' Luau & Meat Meat	27 8:45 AM Cherub Choir 3:45 PM Science Fair	28 6:00 AM Men's Bible Study 9:00 AM Quilters Quilting Quilts 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry CE/Peer Supervision 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry Training 7:00 PM Vespers	29 8:45 AM Chapel 1:00 PM Kids Heart Challenge 5:45 PM Fellowship Meal 7:00 PM Choir	30 9:30 AM Thursday Bible class 7:00 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	31 2:00 PM PH Weekend Prep 7:00 PM Gambler's Anonymous	1 9:00 AM Cribbage 7:30 PM AA & Al-Anon

Services During January

Date	Time	Sermon	Children's	Lay Minister	Comm.Asst.	Ushers	Counters	Lector	Acolyte	Music	Sound
5	8:15	Neal Groeling*	Neal Groeling	Kelley Burmeister	Tim Klein	Doug Bickel David Hommel Bob Dragan Tim Klein	McBrayer & Oetting	Lishelle Burmeister	Anne Isimbi	Beth Shroff	Leslie Helge
	11:00			Jerry Shroff	—	Ted Paulat Eunice Hoeft Barbara Gunderlach Mary Spensley		Michelle Krylowicz	Athena Amindyas	Beth Shroff	Ben Groeling
12	8:15	Neal Groeling*	Sarah Handrock	Jeff Bowen	—	Bill Larsen Chris van Dyck Glen Postenrieder Lee Swanger	Paulat & Amindyas	Jerry Shroff	Matthew Sainz	<i>Joyful Noise</i>	Thomas Hinrichs
	11:00			Bob Dragan	David Henderson	Ralph Hughes Scott Irving D'Lorah Gothard		Ben Davis	Josh Henderson	Beth Shroff	Phil Pelzman
19	8:15	Neal Groeling*	Jerry Shroff	Matt Helge	Fred Oppel	Doug Bickel David Hommel Bob Dragan Tim Klein	Swanger & Postenrieder	Cheryl Frazine	Waylon Lowe	Beth Shroff	Gabe Yoder
	11:00			Marty Rasmussen	—	Ted Paulat Eunice Hoeft Barbara Gunderlach Mary Spensley		Kimberly Rasmussen	Aubrey Burmeister	Beth Shroff	Ben Groeling
26	8:15	Neal Groeling*	Neal Groeling	Al Koschmann	—	Bill Larsen Chris van Dyck Glen Postenrieder Lee Swanger	Bennett & Ricard	Ron McBrayer	Daniella Agasaro	<i>Joyful Noise</i>	Avery Pelzman
	11:00			James Gruetzner	Jason Wertz	Ralph Hughes Scott Irving D'Lorah Gothard		Kelly Gruetzner	Catherine Wertz	Beth Shroff	Phil Pelzman

* Leading liturgy;

Greeters: Board of Youth

Altar Society: TBD

Flowers: Faye Hansen

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CHRIST LUTHERAN SCHOOL JANUARY EVENTS



**SCHOOL RESUMES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 7**

DUTY ★ HONOR ★ COURAGE



† **Meet at the Pole †**
Thursday, January 9 at 8:45 a.m.

"The time is always right
to do what is right."

**MARTIN LUTHER
KING, JR. DAY**

January 20
No School



Step up to Success

**What is in store next year for your
Christ Lutheran student?**

Visit your child's future classroom for a fun,
and informational evening with their future
teacher, followed by dinner in the Parish Hall!

Wednesday, January 22 at 5:00 p.m.

JOY:FULLY
LUTHERAN
1 THESS 5:16-24

Schedule of Events

Sunday, January 26 at 11:00 a.m.

Join us for Worship as the school children start off this
exciting week praising our Lord in song!

Monday - January 27 - It's the 100th Day of School!!!

Dress like you are 100 years old day!

3:30 p.m. Science Fair

Tuesday - January 28

Western Wear Day

Wednesday - January 29

Heart Day - Wear **Red**

♥ **Kids Heart Challenge** ♥

Thursday - January 30

Crazy sdrawkcab Day!

Friday - January 31

Spirit/Hat Day

**NATIONAL
LUTHERAN
SCHOOLS WEEK**

<https://www.christlutheranschools.org/schools-week>
<https://www.christlutheranschools.org/school-ministry>



Stephen Ministry has been active for four years at Christ Lutheran. What do you know about Christ Lutheran Stephen Ministry?

Here are some facts that you may or may not know...

- 2 The number of Stephen Minister classes to date.
- 3 The number of years we have had care receivers.
- 4 The number of Stephen Ministry Churches Christ Lutheran partners with in Albuquerque. When we have people who need care, but we don't have Stephen Ministers available, we ask these ministry partners. Our partner Stephen Ministry churches also ask us if they need a Stephen Minister. People from Christ Lutheran can receive care from a Stephen Minister from another Stephen Ministry church.
- 5 The number of active Stephen Ministers.
- 8 The number of trained Stephen Ministers at Christ Lutheran.
- 9 The number of people who have received care from Christ Lutheran Stephen Ministry.
- 65 The number of hours of caring by Christ Lutheran Stephen Ministers from October to December 2019.
- 145 The total number of hours of caring by Christ Lutheran Stephen Ministers over three years.

Stephen Leaders receive training to lead the Stephen Ministry. They recruit, train and encourage the Stephen Ministers. They provide awareness and events to the congregation.

Stephen Ministers provide one-to-one, quality, distinctively Christian care to those who are struggling, going through difficult times, or going through a life transition. This care is confidential. No one, except for the Care Coordinator (Stephen Leader), the Stephen Minister, and the care receiver know.

If you'd like to receive care from a Stephen Minister, or if you'd like to become a Stephen Minister or a Stephen Leader talk to a Stephen Leader – Sue Dragan, Cheryl Frazine, Pastor Groeling, Leslie Helge, Jerry Shroff, or David Yocky. If you have any questions about Stephen Ministry, please talk to a Stephen Leader.

We will start out the New Year by meeting on Thursday, Jan. 9th at Le Peep on Louisiana and Indian School. We have reserved one of the private rooms. We will decide this time if we should continue meeting there or change to another restaurant. We have some new members of the church who are Honor Circle qualified and hope to have them join us. Female and 55 or older is the qualification. See you on the 9th. Call Eunice if you need a ride.

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Senior fellowships

The January Senior Outing will be Friday, January 24th. We will meet in the church parking lot around 9:30 a.m. and travel to the Albuquerque Museum to view the traveling *Jim Henson Exhibition: Imagination Unlimited...* think the Muppet's. There is also a new display of Photographs of Past Albuquerque at the same museum; some might be interested in adding this to our tour. Following the tour will eat at a local area restaurant. We are open to suggestions. The cost to view the exhibit is an outrageous \$4 for NM seniors. Mark your calendars now! This is a must see!

YOUTH JANUARY EVENTS

CLY (9th – 12th Graders): Sat. Jan. 11: Youth making burritos at 10 a.m. followed by a youth/parent meeting. Sat. Jan. 12: Youth breakfast burrito sale 9 a.m. Sat. Jan. 17: Game Night.

Teacher for High School Bible Class: Bill Vering

JoY (6th – 8th Graders): Sat. Jan. 11: Youth making burritos at 10 a.m. followed by a youth/parent meeting. Sat. Jan. 12: Youth breakfast burrito sale 9 a.m. Sat. Jan. 17: Game Night.

Teacher for Middle School Bible Class: Doug Rickers

For more information you may contact the Youth Board electronically at clcyouthgroup@outlook.com

A Note from the Altar Guild

What a joy it is to serve our Lord, and brothers and sisters in Christ. Such a small task but so fulfilling. Altar Guild allows for an opportunity to serve God with a partner, or on your own, each in the quiet, peaceful presence of our Lord. When you see any of these wonderful people who enjoy the labor of love of being on the Altar Guild, thank them, and ask about joining the guild. Lishelle Burmeister, Julie Henderson, D'Lorah Gothard, Danielle & Kevin Lukow, Debbie Schneider, Tanya Sainz, Barbara Bennett, Marcia Koschmann, Eunice Hoeft, Susan Lund, Laurel Drew. There is always room for more volunteers.

Happy New Year!



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	Thomas Hinrichs, 7th Grade
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